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# ***Economic Aspects/Implications of Risk & Reliability of Coastal Structures on the Great Lakes***

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## ***O&M Budget Issues of Great Lakes***

- Recent GL O&M budget is flat at best
- GL System O&M needs and expenses are rising
- We now need to demonstrate return on investment to OMB for proposed O&M expenditures
- Incorporate asset management principles considering risk & reliability



# *Risk Assessment*



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- Risk assessment is a science-based, systematic process for quantifying and describing the nature, likelihood and magnitude of risk associated with some substance, situation, action or event, including consideration of relevant uncertainties.
- *Adding up the probabilities of possible "bad things" happening multiplied by the \$ value of the corresponding consequence.*

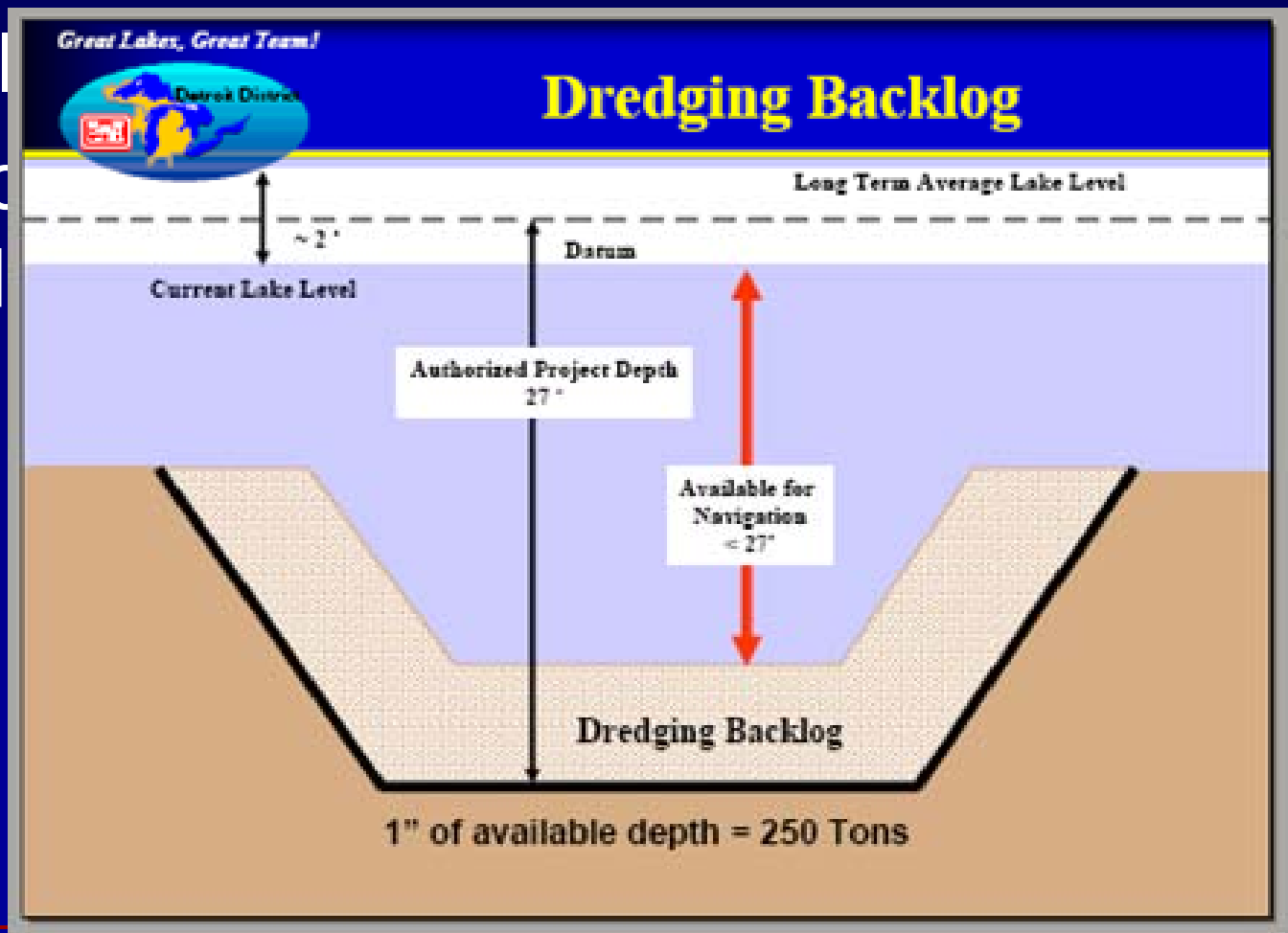


# *Economic Issues of GL Risk & Reliability Overview*



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- Channel depth loss from shoaling
- Availability
- Failure of  
age and  
attack





# *Challenge: Aging Infrastructure*



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- Many navigation structures are greater than 100 years old
- Too few dollars chasing too many needs





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## ***Summary of Ave Annual Maintenance – Buffalo District***

- About million CY at 10 harbors dredged annually
- Up to 2,000 linear feet of navigation structures repaired by floating plant
- Approx 1 major construction contract let for repairing navigation structures (\$1-3M)





# *Budget Wonk Questions*



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- Is a particular repair or rehabilitation project a good use of federal funds?
- Is the expected value of benefits greater than the cost of repair?
- How can we prioritize all the proposed projects on the list?



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# ***Coastal Structures (with Potential Economic Consequences)***

- Breakwaters
  - Rubble mound stone
  - Laid up stone
  - Core-Loc
- Jetties/Piers
- CDF's

*Virtually any  
federal structure*





# *Consequences of Inadequate Maintenance*



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- National Economic Impacts
  - Increased transportation costs
  - Increased damages
  - Increased nonfederal maintenance and repair
  - Lost recreation opportunities
- Regional Development Impacts
  - Loss of Jobs
  - Loss of Income
  - Loss of Revenue
- Environmental Consequences
  - Increased Water & Air Pollution
  - Risk to habitat and species

Commodity	Jobs/1000 tons
Steel Products	1.07
General Cargo	0.33
grain	0.22
iron ore	0.22
Coal	0.15
Cement	0.21
Aggregates, limestone	0.20
Petroleum	0.30
Others	0.11
Chemicals	0.51
Ores&minerals	0.20

• Safety – Loss of Life!!!



## ***Need to Evaluate in Planning Setting***



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- Establish Project Evaluation Period
  - (e.g. 50 years, 20 years, etc.)
- Establish Existing & Future WOPC (What is the future if we continue to operate and maintain the projects in the same manner as we have in the past?)
- Establish Existing & Future WPC's



# *Engineering Inputs*



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- Probability of failure
- Type of failure, given it failed
- Repair costs
- Time required for repairs
- Effect of repair on future reliability
- Event tree that shows linkages between 1-5.



# *Reliability*



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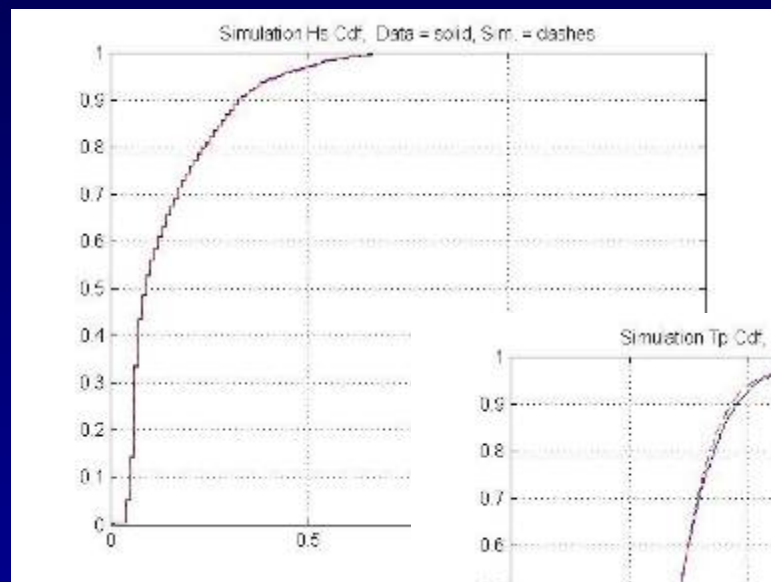
- Probability of failure over time.
- Probability of failure in a specific year given it survived to that year – hazard value.
- Developed by BAT Team and Coastal engineering staff based on expert opinion.



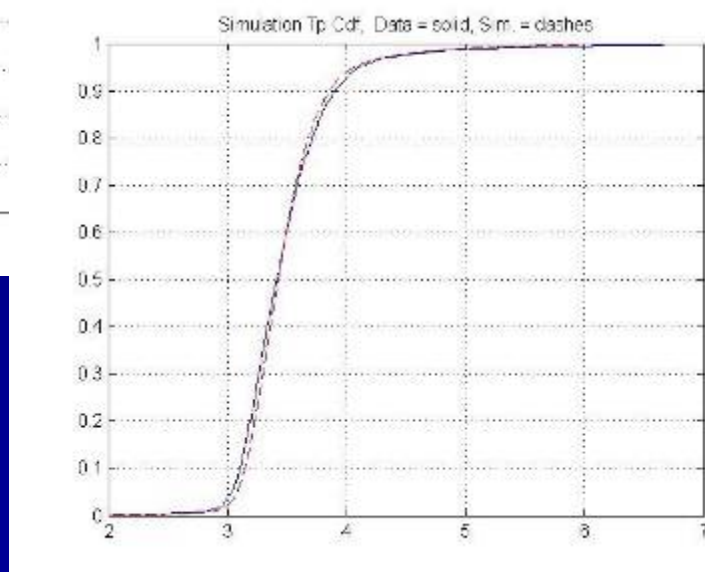
# *Cumulative Distributions Historical and ELS (ERDC)*



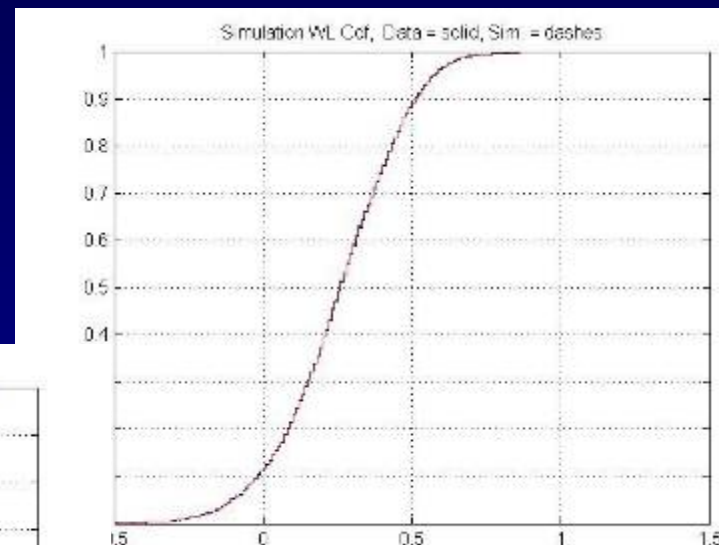
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**Wave  
Height,  $H_s$**



**Peak Wave Period,  $T_p$**



**Water Level,  $h$**



# *Event Tree Analysis*



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- Event tree analysis is based on binary logic, in which an event either has or has not happened or a component has or has not failed.
- It is valuable in analyzing the consequences arising from a failure or undesired event.



# *Event Tree*



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- An Event Tree starts from an undesired initiator (e.g. component failure, etc) and follows possible further system events through to a series of final consequences.
- As each new event is considered, a new node on the tree is added with a split of probabilities of taking either branch.
- The Event Tree is the foundation of a simulation model.
- Developed by BAT Team and Coastal Engineering Staff.





# *Event Tree for Generic Coastal Structure Link reliability with consequences*



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Wave Height Exceedance Probability	Probability of Unsatisfactory Performance	Performance Level Probability	Branch Probability	Consequences (\$)
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***For Frequent but  
Less Damaging  
Event***

5 ft 50.00%	Pr(u) (Unsatisfactory Perf.) 0.00036%	Impacts w/o Failure (minor damage to structure) 99.00%	0.00018%	Harbor Damages (Docks and Repair & Cleanup Costs Navigation Delay Costs Infrastructure Losses from Erosion and Coastal Storm Damage
		Failure (major damage to structure) 1.00%	0.00000%	Harbor Damages (Docks and Repair & Cleanup Costs Navigation Delay Costs Infrastructure Losses from Erosion and Coastal Storm Damage
	Reliability (Satisfactory Performance) 99.99964%		49.99982% Normal O&M	

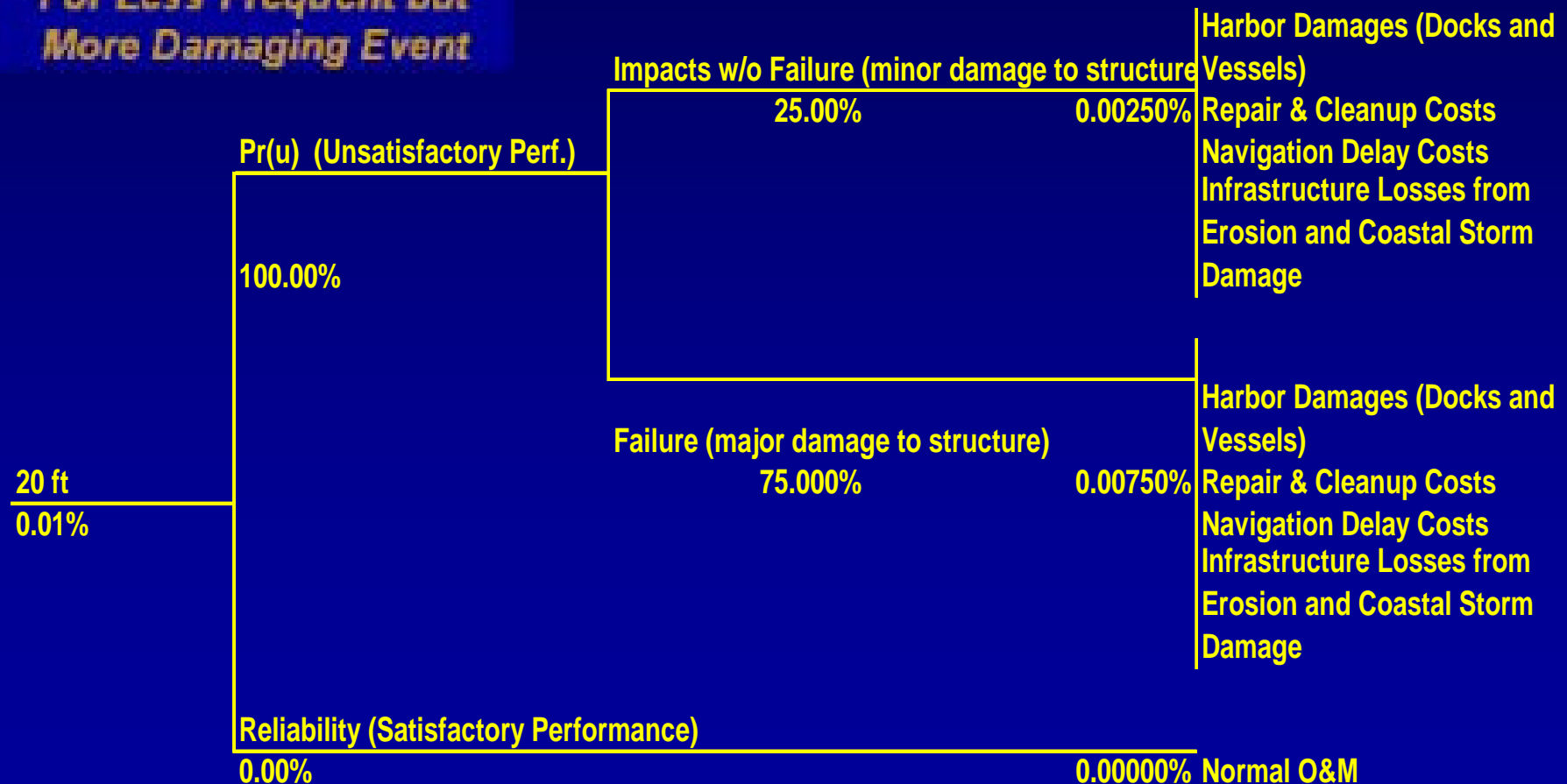


# *Event Tree for Generic Coastal Structure Link reliability with consequences*



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*For Less Frequent but  
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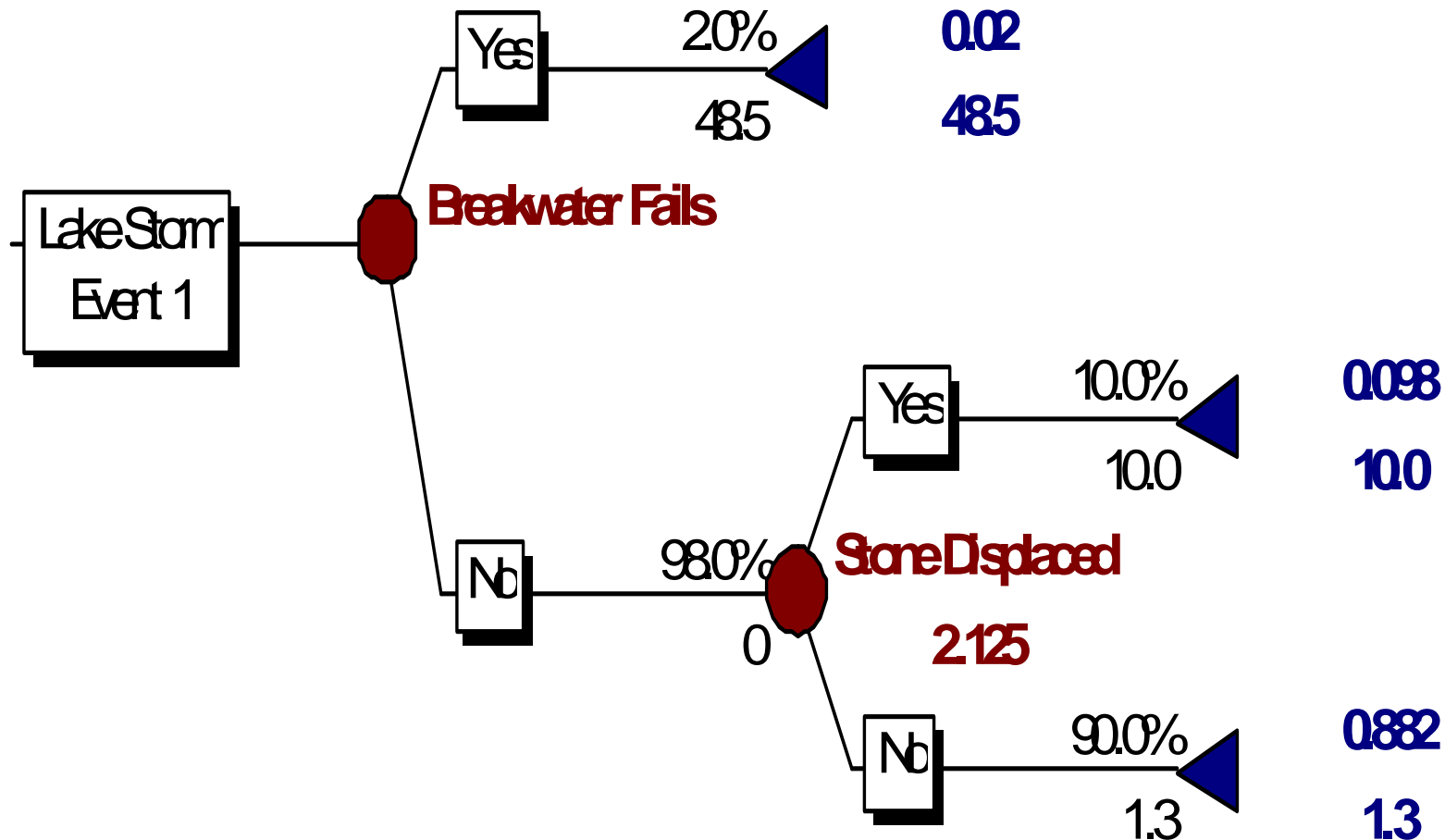




# Event Tree Possibilities



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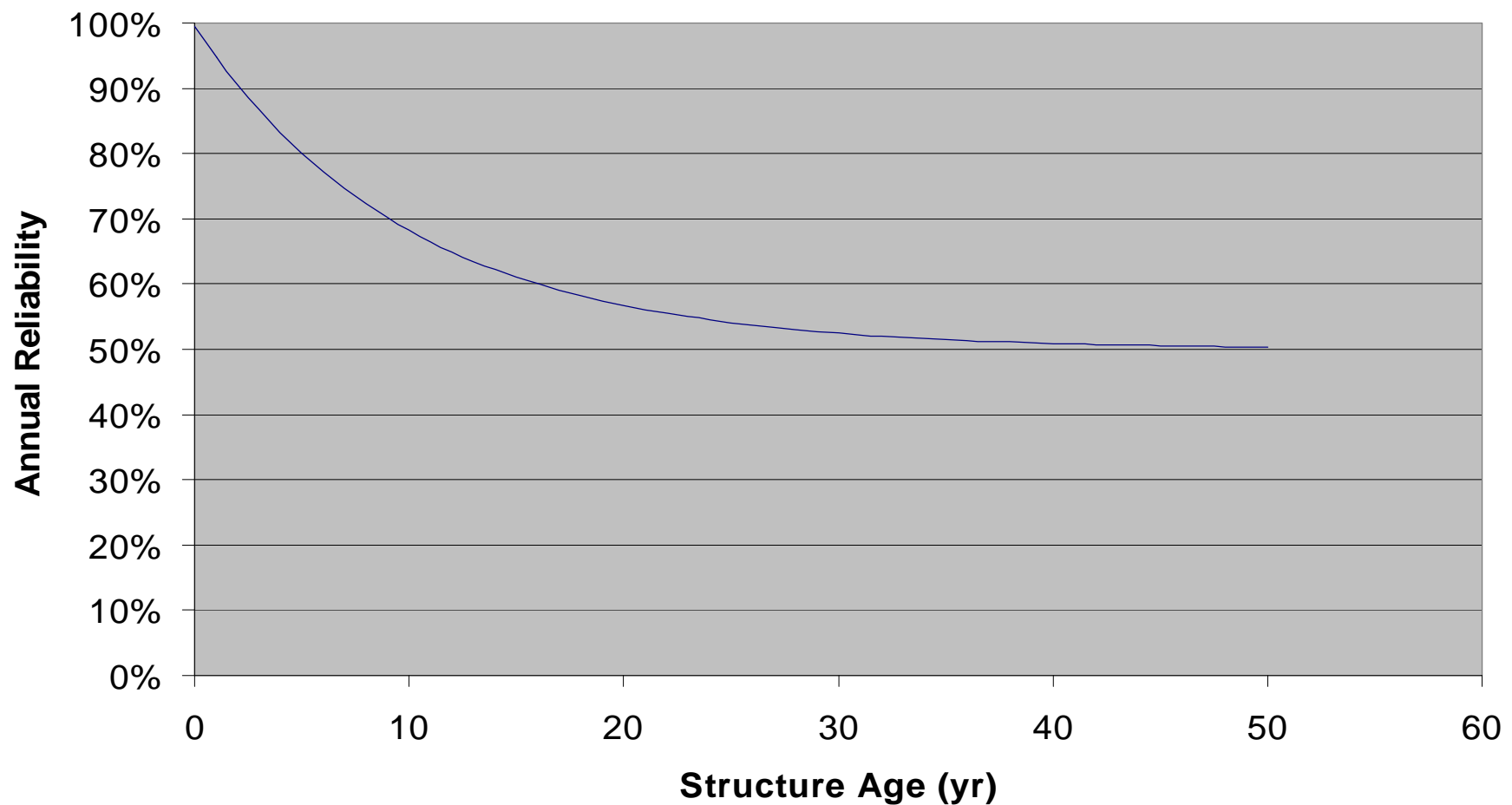


# *Degradation Curve*



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**Coastal Structure Degradation Curve**





# *Monte Carlo Simulation Model*



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- Model duplicates event tree logic fifty times for fifty future years and links what happens in one year with the following year.
- Model generates random numbers to determine the path followed in any one year.
- Model can perform the multi-year simulation a large number of times.
- @Risk<sub>©</sub> for Excel<sub>©</sub> Model developed by economist in Pittsburgh.



# Simulation Process

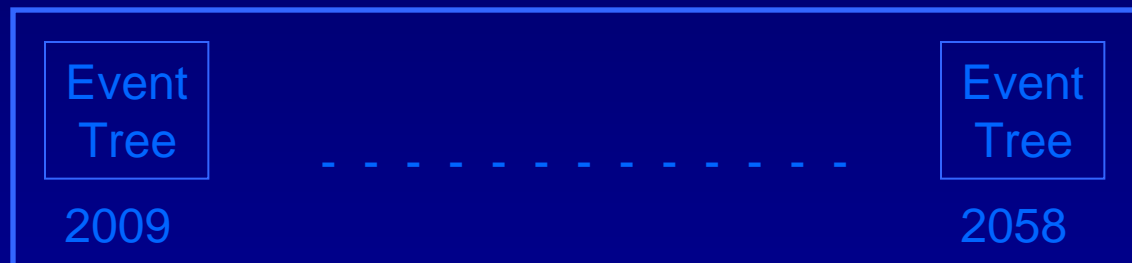


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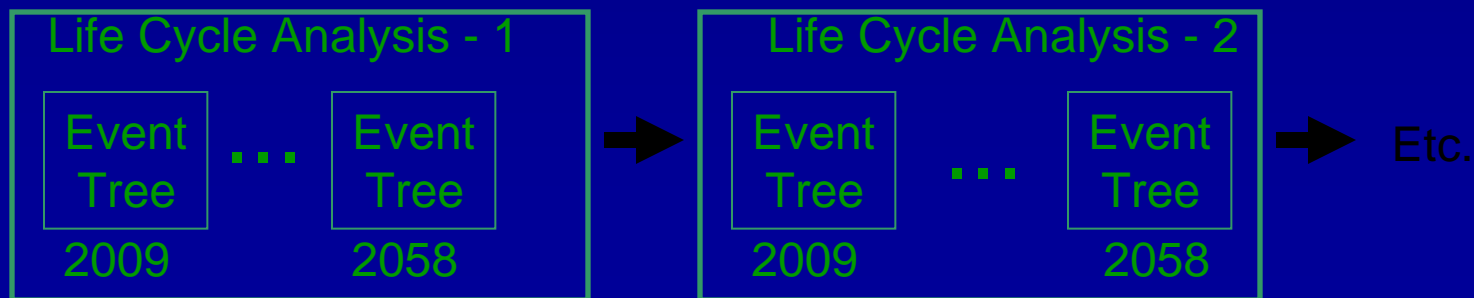
**Simulation – Simulate possible events as depicted in Event Tree**

Event  
Tree

**Life Cycle Analysis – Multiple Simulations of Event Tree**



**Iterations – Multiple Life Cycle Runs**





## *Probability of Failure in "Without" Condition (hazard value)*



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• <u>Year</u>	<u>Probability of Failure</u>
• 2009	5%
• 2020	20%
• 2058	50%





# *Economic Consequences of Failure*



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<u>Year</u>	<u>Damage</u>
2009	\$100
2020	\$100
2058	\$100



## *Expected Economic Costs "Without" Condition*



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<u>Year</u>	<u>Expected Value</u>
2009	$5\% \times \$100 = \$5$
2020	$20\% \times \$100 = \$20$
2058	$50\% \times \$100 = \$50$



# *Alternatives ("With" Conditions)*



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1. Major Rehab- Rubblemound Structure
2. Major Repair



## *Probability of Failure in “With” Condition (hazard values)*



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<u>Year</u>	<u>Probability of Failure</u>
2009	1%
2020	5%
2058	10%



# *Economic consequences of Failure*



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<u>Year</u>	<u>Damage</u>
2009	\$100
2020	\$100
2058	\$100



## *Expected Economic Costs “Without” Condition*



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<u>Year</u>	<u>Expected Value</u>
2009	1% x \$100 = \$1
2020	5% x \$100 = \$5
2058	10% x \$100 = \$10



## *Benefits*



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<u>Year</u>	<u>“Without”</u>	<u>“With”</u>	<u>Benefit</u>
2009	\$5	\$1	\$4
2020	\$20	\$5	\$15
2058	\$50	\$10	\$40





## *Annualize Benefits*



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- Discount value in each year to present value equivalent.
- Sum present value equivalents.
- Amortize cumulative present value which yields the average annual equivalent benefit.



# ***Economic Analysis using Monte Carlo Risk Model***



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- Simulation starts with first year (under WOPC).
- Simulation continues for each year in PEP.
- Computer stores results for this iteration.
- Process continues for several iterations.
- Maybe do for “with”, depending if fix does not make project completely reliable.
- Subtract residual damages under “WPC” from those of “WOPC” to compute benefits.
- Compare benefits with costs to determine net Benefits and BCR.



# *Economic Consequences* *How to get good data?*



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- By Harbor, Develop Threshold Wave Height - Delay by Vessel Relationship
- Conduct Shipper Response Surveys
- Estimate Induced Shoreline Maintenance Under Disrepair Scenarios
- Develop Erosion Rates

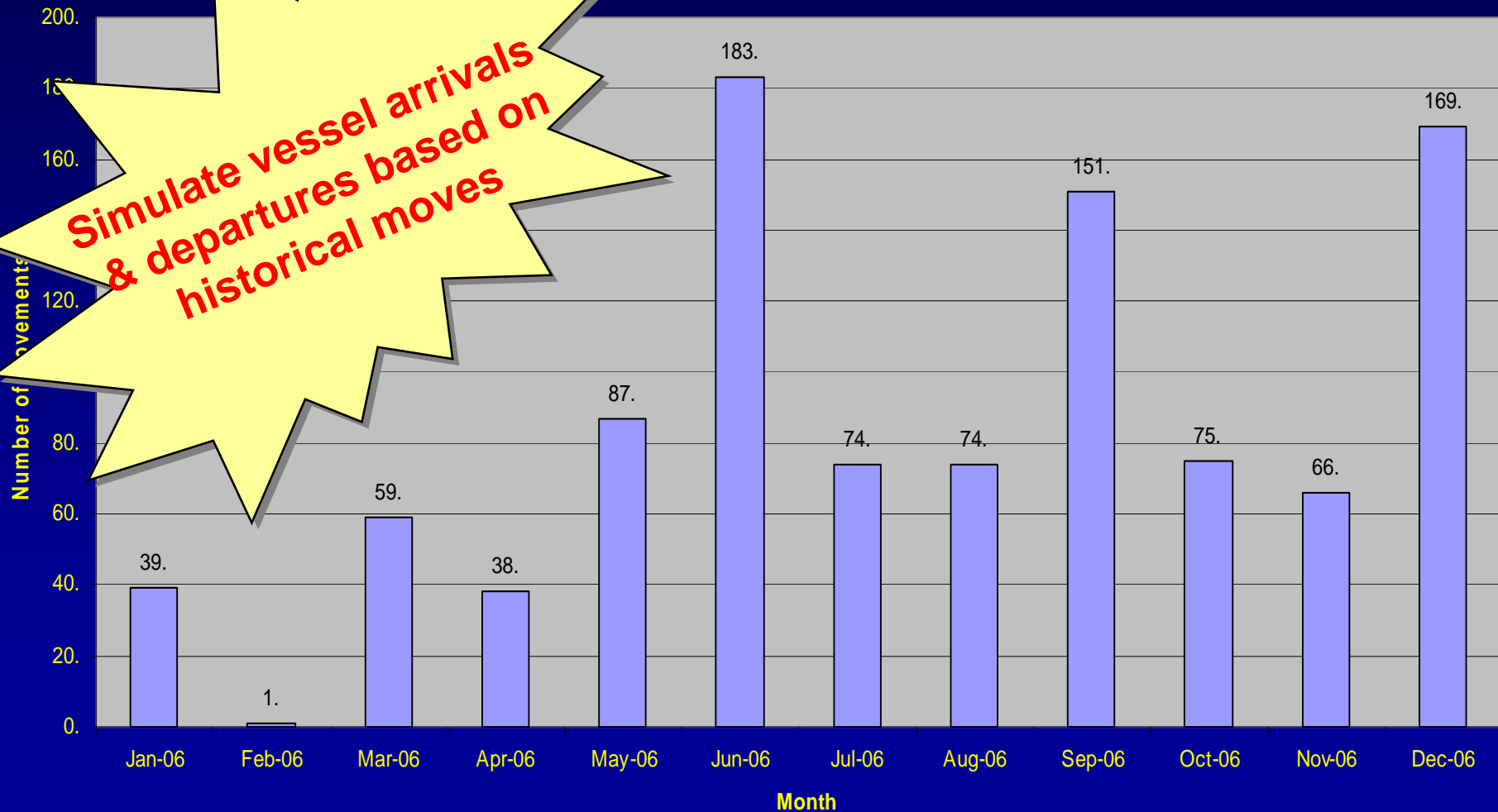


# Cleveland Harbor Movements 2006



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Cleveland Harbor Movements  
CY 2006



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# *GL Vessel Operating Costs*



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## Hourly Delay Costs

<u>Vessel Class</u>	<u>Cost / Hour*</u>
• Class 5 (600-649 ft)	\$1,974
• Class 7 (700-730 ft)	\$2,086
• Class 10 (950-1,099 ft)	\$2,939

\*FY08 Price Level



# *Measuring Economic Consequences*



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- As a proxy for potential infrastructure coastal damage, use revetment cost for linear reach affected by breakwater breach
- Linear feet of unprotected shoreline times \$ / ft of revetment cost

**Breach from Storm Event**





## *Other Consequences*



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- Breakwater Damage Cleanup Cost
- Repair Cost (Fix as Fails)
- Damage to boats, docks, and other shoreline infrastructure
- Increased Shoaling (Dredging Requirement)





# *Evaluating Coastal Structures: Problems & Needs*



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- Insufficient data to make informed decisions
  - Physical Cause/Effect & Probability of Occurring
  - Economic Response & Measurement
- Refine tools for measuring impacts
  - Risk Analysis Model



## *Consequence of High Risk Level*



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- Increased transportation costs
- Loss of industry, jobs and revenue
- Shift from waterborne to land-based transportation
- Increased air pollution & rail & highway accidents





# *Huge Complex Effort*



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- Improving the level of data available
- Developing assessment metrics
- Develop evaluation methods
- Develop computer models
- Develop Nontraditional benefits



